State of Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services PO Box 4210 Helena, MT 59604

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

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TITLE: Accounting Technician

POSITION NO: 05331

LOCATION: Business & Financial Services Division,

Helena

STATUS: Full-Time/Permanent

UNION: MEA/MFT

PAY GRADE: Pay Plan 20, Pay Band 3

STARTING SALARY: \$21,006 - \$26,123 annually. Depending on

qualifications and internal equity.

SUPPLEMENT: Yes

APPLICATION DEADLINE: State of Montana Applications can be submitted to any local Job Service or Human Resources- DPHHS, PO Box 4210 (111 Sanders, Room 202), Helena, MT. Applications may also be emailed to hhsea@mt.gov or faxed (406) 444-0262. Applications must be received or postmarked if mailed no later than 5:00 p.m., Wednesday, April 30, 2008. For further information visit the DPHHS website: www.dphhs.mt.gov/jobs

TYPICAL DUTIES: Under the direction of the Accounting Supervisor, this position is responsible for paying all payments made by the department to providers, clients, employees and vendors. The incumbent provides guidance to staff on the correct expenditure codes to be used in accordance with Montana Operations Manual (MOM) and Statewide Accounting, Budgeting and Human Resources System (SABHRS).

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES (COMPETENCIES) DESIRED:

<u>Knowledge:</u> Knowledge of accounting principles and practices and SABHRS specifically; federal/state rules and relations related to accounting processes including understanding of requirements for making payments on a federal/state fiscal year basis; computer programs such as Excel and Word; math concepts; State procurement rules and regulations; and State travel policy and regulations.

<u>Skills:</u> Skill in computer applications such as Word and Excel; developing and maintaining spreadsheet applications; and organization.

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<u>Abilities:</u> Ability to perform difficult accounting work; analyze and interpret complex accounting information and prepare accurate and complete accounting documents; complete math computations; communicate effectively verbally and in writing; and establish and maintain effective working relationships with employees, other agencies, vendors and contractors.

EDUCATION/EXPERIENCE REQUIRED: High School Diploma or GED **AND** two years of related experience.

APPLICATION AND SELECTION PROCESS: This position is being advertised outside the agency and in-house applicants must compete with the outside applicant pool. Interested persons must submit the following prior to the closing date to be considered:

- 1. Signed state application (PD-25, rev.05/03 or later);
- 2. Applicants claiming the **Veteran's or Disabled Person's Employment Preference** (see State of Montana Employment Application, PD-25) must provide verification of eligibility with the application materials. The required documentation includes a DD-214 or PHHS Certification of Disability form; and
- 3. Supplemental questions.

Applications will be rejected for late, incomplete or unsigned application materials.

<u>COMPENSATION:</u> Eligible state employees are also provided paid health, dental, vision and life insurance. Other benefits including a deferred compensation program, public employees retirement system, annual leave, sick leave, paid holidays and up to 15 days military leave with full pay.

IMMIGRATION REFORM AND CONTROL ACT: In accordance with the Immigration Reform and Control Act, the person selected must produce within three (3) days of hire documentation that he/she is authorized to work in the United States. Examples of such documentation include a birth certificate or social security card along with a driver's license or other picture I.D., a U.S. passport or a green card.

REASONABLE ACCOMMODATIONS: Under state federal law, and qualified applicants with disabilities entitled are reasonable accommodations. Modifications or adjustments may be provided to assist applicants to compete in the recruitment and selection process, to perform the essential duties of the job or to enjoy equal benefits and privileges of employment available to other employees. Alternative accessible formats of this document will be provided upon request. An applicant must request an accommodation when needed. If you need any such Page 3
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accommodation, contact Human Resources at 444-3136 as soon as possible to allow time to make needed arrangements.

SELECTIVE SERVICE COMPLIANCE CERTIFICATION: All male applicants (born on or after January 1, 1960) must complete a copy of 'Statement of Selective Service Registration Status' if offered a position with the State of Montana, unless they meet certain exemptions under Selective Service law. If you are required to register, but fail to do so, you are not eligible for employment with the State of Montana.

SUPPLEMENT QUESTIONS

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This supplement will be reviewed separately from the state application you submitted, and it will become a further basis for our evaluation of candidates. Your responses to these supplemental questions must be printed clearly or typed on standard 8.5 x 11 inch paper. Each response should be clear, concise and numbered. Since your responses will be reviewed separately from your state application, please repeat any information that may appear on it or your resume rather than writing 'see my resume or application.'

QUESTIONS

 ${\underline{\mathtt{NOTE:}}}$ Answers to the following questions must be specific as to ${\underline{\mathtt{dates}}}$ and ${\underline{\mathtt{employers}}}$. If this supplement is used as a screening tool, some answers may be rated based on months or years of experience. Reference will not be made back to your state application or resume.

- 1. Please describe your experience performing accounts payable functions.
- 2. Please describe your SABHRS or other accounting software experience.
- 3. Please describe your customer service philosophy.